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The following document is cited in the specification of the above-identified application:

(1) Miyatake et al, U.S. Patent No. 5,241,575, issued August 31, 1993.

Applicants also wish to bring the following documents to the attention of the Examiner:

(2) Takada et al, U.S. Patent No. 4,973,833, issued November 27, 1990; and

(3) Miyatake et al, U.S. Patent No. 5,363,000, issued November 8, 1994.

Applicants consider the invention to be distinguishable over the above-cited documents.

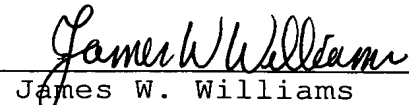
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